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They Should Be Marked

WE suppose we should get all steamed up about that circular offering to make minor or general repairs on stamps, but it doesn't affect us that way. Repairing stamps has always been done; for that matter its an open secret that one can get it done. And most of it is done not with intent to deceive or defraud anyone but to have better appearing specimens in someone's album. The dangers to the hobby in the repairing of stamps is the continued production of such stamps without some marking to indicate to anyone their condition. Even if the open repairing of stamps were suppressed, it hardly follows that repairing would stop. Its illegal to carry arms in many states, but that hasn't stopped armed robbery in those localities. What philately needs is more effective regulation of the sale of repaired stamps in such a way that there would be no opportunity to deceive. If the national societies, dealer and collector would take it upon themselves to insist that all repaired stamps be indelibly marked on the back, the great danger of repaired stamps would disappear as it would then be difficult to deceive and sellers would be wary of handling unmarked items.

As it is now, the unscrupulous can offer for sale repaired stamps and whether or not the purchaser detects the repair, there is no provision for preventing the same person from offering the same stamps to others. Even in national society sales circuits, if a repaired stamp be found by an examiner, the stamp is removed and returned to the owner who is fined a small sum. The owner is free to offer his merchandise again to others who may not be successful in detecting the repairs. Such stamps should be marked so that their masquerading career is definitely over. A person openly selling a repaired stamp for exactly what it is should have no objection to placing on the back of such a stamp an indelible marking to indicate repair.

The same should apply to privately produced reprints, facsimiles or counterfeits. All of these are intended to be imitations, and are usually sold the first time with no misrepresentation. However, the purchasers can and often do procede to cheat others by selling the imitations as originals. If reprints, facsimiles and counterfeits were also marked indelibly there would be no opportunity for such fraud. The reputable dealers stand to profit if they would demand that all such items be marked. If they were to make enough of a fuss, no dealer would dare try to sell such items for fear that his business be put under suspicion.

It is time the societies, dealer and collector got up on their hind feet, threw away their bogeyman fears of reprisal and really go to town for the hobby. There should never be such things as retaining in membership for nine years of a known crook who had defrauded his fellow members and others of many thousands of dollars, posing meanwhile as an authority on certain stamps and selling forgeries of those stamps as originals, and doing all this as "expert" for a society. It is only compounded disgrace that even after his death, no public admission was made by the society of the true facts. Yet gradually the membership and others have learned these facts, with what damage to the vaunted prestige of the society can only be imagined. Truth has its own ways of creeping out and tarring all who had a part in its attempted suppression. If only the societies would recognize this simple fact!

Just as long as the hobby continues on its do-nothing path there will be George Husseys, Allan Taylors, N. F. Seebecks, Fourniers and their like to plague us. Those who combine nerves of brass with lack of scruple have found this hobby a profitable one for their activities, and it is philately's fault that this is true.

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A - WEEKLY - NEWSPAPER - FOR - STAMP - COLLECTORS

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The Seebeck Stamp Contracts

BY BOB RICHARDSON

FIFTY-TWO years ago this June stamp collectors were startled to read in the pages of the *Philatelic Journal of America* a translation of a contract signed earlier that year between Postmaster General Salvador J. Carazo, of Salvador and Nicholas F. Seebeck, Secretary of the Hamilton Bank Note Engraving Company of New York City, whereby Mr. Seebeck agreed to supply Salvador for a period of ten years with postage stamps free of charge, the contractor obtaining all remainders and having complete freedom to reprint each obsolete series. C. H. Mekeel, publisher of the magazine, then one of the leading philatelic journals was bitter in condemnation of the contract and Seebeck for his part in it. And ever since the subject has been discussed as critically, until "Seebeck" has become a byword in the hobby. Most who now use the word know little concerning its origin.

The contract, pattern for others which were later made with Ecuador, Honduras and Nicaragua read as follows, having been published in Spanish in the official journal of Salvador:

EXECUTIVE GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Contract signed on the 27th day of March, 1889, between the Postmaster-General of the Republic of Salvador, authorized to that effect by the Supreme Government of said Republic, on the one part, and Mr. Nicholas F. Seebeck, Secretary of the Hamilton Bank Note Engraving Company, of New York, on the second part, in the following terms:

1. N. F. Seebeck, in representation of the above named company, binds himself to supply, free of any cost, to the mail service of Salvador, such quantities of the necessary postal issues as will be hereinafter determined, for the period of ten successive years, commencing from the date of the present agreement, according to the designs which the General Management will supply on the first day of April of each year, it being understood that same will be modified annually in a manner that the issues of each period of twelve months be perfectly distinct from those preceding and following them, while the type adopted for each year's series of postal issues must be uniform.

2. The stamps will be engraved on steel plates in the most artistic manner, and in a way that will render them impossible to counterfeit, in the following quantities, which may be increased in case the requirements of the mail service render it necessary to do so; viz:

1,500,000 stamps of 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 20, 25 and 50c and $1.00.

10,000 postal cards of 2, 2x2, 3, 3x3 cents.

25,000 stamped envelopes of 5, 10, 11, 20 and 22 cents.

10,000 newspaper bands of 3, 6, 12½ and 25 cents.

3. The postal issues must be delivered, faultless, by the company to the representative of Salvador in New York, on the 15th day of November of each year, preceding that one for which they are destined, with the express condition that before said delivery be effected, and immediately on concluding the printing of the issues for which they have served, the matrices of the postal issues, sealed by the Representative of Salvador and for the company, will be deposited with the

Safe Deposit Company of New York, from whose possession they cannot be withdrawn except by means of the fulfillment of the conditions hereinafter expressed.

4. It is understand that the company can not make, of the issues which it prepares for the end of each year, larger quantities than those expressed in the instructions to that effect which it receives from the General Management, with authority from the Supreme Government, and that it will conform itself literally to the tenor of said instructions with regard to the colors of each value, and to the design.

5. The Government, on its part, agrees to have prepared by the General Director of Mails, the necessary models and instructions in order that the company can fill its engagement, binding itself to have both placed in the company's hands, in the month and day indicated in Article 1 of each year preceding the one in which the new issues must be put in circulation.

6. In compensation of the disbursements made by the company, in engraving and in furnishing the postal issues in question, the Supreme Government of Salvador agrees to cede to the company the stock which on the conclusion of each year, may be in its possession upon the previous declaration of their nullity on the first day of January of each year, whatever be the quantity thereof; binding itself, moreover, not to sell stamps or any of the other issues mentioned for less than their nominal value, while they are in use.

7. This stock will be delivered, without any cost whatever, by the Government of Salvador, to the Representative of Mr. Seebeck in this Capitol on the first day of February of each year, for the term of the present agreement.

8. Upon the representative of Salvador being notified by the Supreme Government that the issues of each successive year being declared void and not receivable for postage, and advice having been given to that effect to the engraving company, the latter can withdraw from the safe deposit already mentioned, the matrices of the postal issues, and break, in the presence of the Representative, the seals referred to in Article 2, for the purpose of using the plates to make such reprints as the engraving company may want to sell to stamp collectors and dealers.

9. It is understand that the issues of each year will be delivered in Salvador thirty days before the appointed time for their being put into use.

10. As an exception, the remainders that will result on the 31st of December of the current year, of the 1 cent and 2 cent stamps recently ordered from the American Bank Note Company of New York, will only pass into the hands of the Hamilton Company, whatever be the date of their delivery, until the 31st of December of 1890, so that the issue, which the company will have ready in November, according to the terms of this contract, will only comprise for the current year a series of stamps of 3, 5, 10, 20, 25 and 50 cents and $1.00; the other postal issues being engraved in the quality which is determined in the Article 2 of the present agreement.

11. In order to avoid as far as possible all differences that might arise between the contracting parties on account of the wording of some of the preceding clauses, the engraving company binds itself to interpret the same in favor of the interests of Salvador.

12. This agreement can be renewed by mutual consent of the Supreme Government of Salvador and the Hamilton Engraving Company, but in case one or the other, or both the contracting parties deem it convenient, it can be annulled by giving one year's notice to that effect through the Representative of Salvador in New York and that of the company in this city, according to the instructions which the former may receive

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185	5c		2.50	.35	.20
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from the Supreme Government of the Republic and the latter from the engraving company.

In witness whereof, we sign two copies of the same tenor, in San Salvador, on the 27th day of the month of March, of 1889.

(Signed) Salvador J. Carazo.
Hamilton Bank Note Engraving Co.,
By N. F. Seebeck, Secretary.

No detailed and accurate biography of N. F. Seebeck seems to have been printed. The man employed his talents in various ways, and probably due to the fact that a number of prominent dealers of his day had dealings in his productions, there has since appeared little statistical data on these transactions. His first recorded attempt at supplying stamps was the issue of Dominican Republic in 1879, but whether these also were free is not recorded. But he did retain the plates and these were employed by the Dominican Minister to France to have bogus overprints produced in 1891 which caused that gentleman to receive his passport. Seebeck also was involved in the Bolivar portrait series supplied the Colombian State of Bolivar in the '80s.

But it is doubtful if he retained a quantity of these or had reprints made as his stamp dealer's pricelist of 1882 doesn't particularly feature them. This book by the way, was one of the largest and most pretentious that had yet been issued by a stamp dealer. Stamps were priced used and unused, singly and per dozen (and he could not supply but a few of the two above mentioned countries by the dozen); there were many plates of illustrations; and the 110 pages of listings were bound in cloth stamped in gold. His address then was 97 Wall St., New York City. The vague data on Seebeck is emphasized by the fact that the date of his death is not definitely recorded.

Gus and Henry Calman, once important figures in American stamp dealing, bought out Seebeck. The Calmans had bought out J. W. Scott in the '70s and formed the Scott Stamp & Coin Co., Ltd., which they controlled until the surviving brother sold out his interest in the company in 1902. They contracted with Seebeck early in the '90s to buy all the remainders returned to him each year by the contracting governments and after Seebeck's death, supposed to have occurred in 1900, they purchased his entire estate with its millions of stamps, and presumably plates. One of the Calman's still had in 1924 some 60,000,000 of the stamps, and there have been other reports of varying sized transactions in the stamps. The plates were destroyed, it is averred by O. Beer, El Salvador dealer, in 1911, when the New York consuls of the four Seebeckized countries chipped in to pay an unnamed New York wholesaler 250,000 silver pesos to destroy the plates. But first he was permitted to make a million sets of reprints. This is told in a recent issue of the *Stamp Wholesaler.*

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30c Canal Zone Air Mail

On July 15 at Balboa Heights, Canal Zone, the Canal Zone Bureau of Posts will place on sale a new denomination air mail stamp, a 30c. It will be an addition to the current series which appeared in 1931. Its color will be lake. Collectors may obtain first day covers by sending their self-addressed envelopes (must not be smaller than 3x6 inches or larger than size 10) with remittance to the Postmaster, Balboa Heights. Instead of a letter of instructions, the Canal Zone postal service requests that collectors simply mark in pencil in upper right corners of envelopes the number of stamps desired affixed. Plate numbers or irregular combinations can not be affixed. Remittances in postage stamps are not acceptable.

Collector on The Radio

The May 11th program at 6:15 P.M. over State WIL at St. Louis featured reading of two articles from the new LINPRINT magazine, The Collector. This program, directed by J. Edward Vining, President of the S. P. A. has been a weekly feature for years and is given from St. Louis Philatelic Headquarters, the Melbourne Hotel. George Warnecke was the speaker of the evening who read excerpts from the Collector.

Stamp Club Activities

Fond du Lac, Wisc.—25 clubs were represented at the "home-coming" convention May 2-3-4 of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs at the Hotel Retlaw. Over 300 collectors attended. H. E. Keebler won Grand Prize for his 53 frames of Russia. 275 frames in all were entered. The junior show, first sponsored, was such a success it will be repeated next year. New officers include Paul H. Segnitz, Milwaukee, President; Ellis Roberts, Oshkosh, Vice-President and C. W. Degler, Milwaukee, Secy.-Treas. Northern regional Vice-President is Alton R. Hansen of Waupaca and Southern Regional Vice-President is Alvin H. Anderson of Milwaukee.

Corning, N. Y.—The Crystal City Stamp Society is issuing some philatelic labels depicting the Von Steuben stamp under a magnifying glass in connection with the eighth annual exhibit at the Baron Steuben Hotel, Corning, N. Y., Saturday, June 7. Sets of three are available at 10c plus postage from George Bacalles, Seal Chairman, P. O. Box 469, Corning. A dinner and auction will be features of the meeting.

● On May 31 these post offices will close: Watsonia Ala.; Tabor and Colie, Ky.; Hottelville, Pa.; Ruby, Ariz. and Scruggs, Va.

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52,52C	1.65	*111-18	.25	*C18-19	.30
*53-61,2-4	5.80	*119-26(no120a		*C26-28	.45
53-61,2-4	5.72	124a)	.33	*C37	.38
*74-79	2.18	*128-30	.35	*C41-45	1.50
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THE ANONYMOUS BUSINESS.

It was at first amusing to observe the contingent of anonymous writers who cluttered up the philatelic gazettes with some mighty moronic cognomens. Most of the barbs and gargoyles employed such a cloak of nonsensical protection principally because they were afraid to point their own fingers and ominously stick tongues out at more worthy contemporaries. Calling the other fellow names does not by any means fool the reader. It cannot be termed philatelic cricket, nor can it be classified as writing about stamp collecting. One would not care so much if the incognit-wits wrote about people who save stamps, or stampology itself. Editors are very often to blame for accepting mediocre drivel that voices one man's grudge against another. Philately has no place in its annals for personal opinions that are not written with a hope to benefit the hobby. Much of the current verbiage smacks of an attempt to emulate or create a prototype of someone making the grade. Originality counts for so much, but plagiarism will count a man out, and even boomerang his own punch. Next time you patiently chance to read one of those off-center jargons written by a self-styled maestro, look for the jack-asterisk that should go with the anonymity!

ADD RECOLLECTIONS.

It was a rare treat extended, the other day, when we examined a collection of mounted proofs in the office of the late Victor Weiskopf. Some of the items have probably never before been viewed by most collectors. It recalled an afternoon, a few years ago, when a group of us sat rather informally on a table in the Museum of Science and Industry, and listened attentively to the interesting data about stamp lore as it was expounded by the late Mr. Weiskopf. He fascinated the stamp collectors composing the audience, and if we remember correctly, it consisted of Captain Tim Healy, Fred Cagna, Jack Casale and yours truly.

TRUE PHILATELIST.

If Diogonese had lived long enough to become a stamp collector, he would have found his ultimate search ended in a friendship with Gilmore Martin. That genial philatelist has won many awards and prizes for his remarkable displays in exhibitions, and yet he resolutely has maintained a strict policy, down through the years, that he will not sell any material. He'll buy what he needs, but enjoys the true philosophy of swapping or trading duplicate material. Captain Wilson jibed him the other afternoon about one of Martin's two-year old pipes that should be negotiated in some sort of a deal, but the smiles that went with the witticism proved that Martin's pipe has become a philatelic institution.

REMOVAL NOTICE.

The 47th street Stamp Shop formerly located near Fifth Avenue, has removed its trappings to a very well equipped store, just one block west on the same street.

IS IT OKAY TO BRING A GRANDPAPPY?

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STACK'S NUMISMATIC GUIDE.

A very worthy book just released by STACK'S as their own publication, is a numismatic guide. Coin collecting is very closely affiliated with philately, and certain sections dealing with fractional currency and encased postage are reliably authentic with basic data. The Stack establishment is in our opinion one of the finest numismatic emporiums in the country, and veritably resembles all the classic accoutrements of a museum. They

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frequently acquire philatelic material with their purchases of coin estates, and usually have many choice offerings. The Stacks are a grand duo, and fit quite appropriately in with the impressive surroundings. Only the other day, we enjoyed chatting with Morton Stack, former U. S. Ambassador James Gerard and one of the Morgenthau family, while Helen Hayes looked in to wave her hand in greeting. The Stacks are splendid hosts, and one may be assured of always meeting a prominent in confab with the brothers.

THAT MCCARTHY PARTHY!

You may remember the program wherein Charlie McCarthy invited Mae West up to look at his stamp collection, and the furore it created. Knowing that we had been

a reporter at the same time with Charlie's manipulator, we wrote the chap who fools with the little wooden fellow's tonsils, and recalled the old days. Bergen did not forget, and back came a special delivery letter from Bergen and McCarthy authorizing your little boy friend to make up a McCarthy travesty on stamp collecting. We did just that with mah jong blocks and wooden plates. It was mounted and displayed with all the rigor and care as if it was one of the most important collections available. It was on display in many major exhibitions here in the East, and believe it or not, it earned a wooden medal because of its originality and popularity!

MORE THAN TEN MILLION NOW!

Observers at the Knapp auction will all verify that there were many buyers of classic material, who were practically unknown to the intimates in attendance. It proves by all indications that the sale was exploited in fine fashion, and conducted in creditable style. Philately has a magnetic something capable of drawing the attention of speculative buyers with foresight enough to invest money in material that shows promise of increasing in value within the near future.

FERRYMAN AUCTIONS.

F. R. Ferryman has been rather successful with his monthly auction sales, and perhaps it is because of his own penchant for assembling artistic as well as unusual material in philately. Ferryman is eligible to exercise his artistic ability since many of his paintings have adorned major exhibitions. One may inspect a few of the representations spotted about his office.

STAMPIX.

George Robinson is a stamp collector inspired with all the sincerity he can afford the hobby. George has been a wheel-chair victim for the greater part of his young life, and yet is one of the finest little disciples of cheer in evidence. He has won quite a few awards with his exceptional collection of foreign material, and despite the amount of time devoted to his stamps, George is also a photography fan. He is an inmate of a chronic disease hospital.

Chilean Speculation Averted

Following representations that issuance of but 300,000 of the very low face value 10 centavos of the Santiago Centenary series would create a speculative possibility, the Chilean government on December 18 ordered an additional 300,000 of the stamp printed, thereby allaying fears of this nature. The stamp is of a denomination of little use in the postal service.

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Perfs and Imperfs

WE SUSPECT THERE'S A LADY IN Houston who has been using stamps from a collection to pay postage! The Emco Monthly Circular tells of a package presented for mailing at that city franked with 20c in stamps: two 5c red errors of 1917-19 and a 10c Trans-Mississippi. The mailer, a woman, was called by the postmaster and informed of the value of the stamps, and as a result she removed them and used others instead.

WE'VE HEARD SO MANY GUESSES AS to why Hess flew to Scotland we are surprised someone hasn't suggest he was a stamp collector who tired of blockade and went there to get some new issues.

JAMES WALDO FAWCETT IN HIS *Washington Star* column says ordinary citizens having Wine stamps need not fear the Treasury lawyer's threats as the President himself has Wine stamps in his collection. Hah, we'd like to see what would happen to that New York gent and his long proclamation if he tried to get THOSE stamps!

THE BULLETIN OF THE MICHIGAN Stamp Club laments the lack of publicity in the A. P. S. official organ about the Club's candidate for A. P. S. Secretary, Don R. Heath.

LIKE TO READ BACKGROUND STORIES about your stamps? "Zapata the Unconquerable" is a new biography on the late Mexican bandit-revolutionary (see A122 Mexico 1935) just published by Doubleday, Doran and authored by Edgcumb Pinchon. It glosses over the Villa of southern Mexico's faults and plays up those of his opponents, but is interesting stuff, the critics say.

SOMETHING DIFFERENT IS OFFERED by one cover servicer: to service covers for mailing from each of the 3,072 counties in the 48 states! Wonder how they'll handle that South Dakota county which hasn't a post office? Wonder what next?

THE SEPTEMBER 1940 ISSUE OF *MEDICAL Economics* contains this bit of advice called to our attention by Bruce M. Fowler: "Need a magnifying glass? Remove the speculum from your otoscope, and there you have it. I use my otoscope in this way to examine skin lesions, and to search for foreign particles in the eye. I find it helpful outside the office, too—for studying the stamps in my collection."

Now we know how so much "speculum" are found on our U. S. stamps. Next thing, we'll hear of astronomers at Mt. Wilson, etc. studying their stamps with the instruments on cloudy nights.

INTERNATIONAL STAMP DEALING IS on a closed shop basis in New Zealand it would seem. A correspondent of the *Philatelic Trader* says exports may be made only by the dealers society with a present membership of 16, and membership is by invitation. Furthermore they aren't, it is hinted, issuing any more invites. Tsk, tsk.

Airmail Series Next Month

Official announcement was made on May 20 that the new 6c airmail will be issued June 25 at Washington. Design will depict a transport plane. Other denominations of the same design (10c, 15c, 20c, 30c and 50c) will appear later. Further details next week.

H. O. KNECHT OF LOS ANGELES TELLS of one of his customers who received an old Bible from relatives in the South and found therein 300 mint copies of the 3c 1851. Most had been cut apart, and not very carefully, but nevertheless, found ready sale locally. This isn't the first find made in a Bible, as many collectors can testify, but the quantity of this one makes it very unusual.

ANYTHING IN PHILATELY EVENTUALly seems to become worth real money. Over $1200 was paid at a recent London Harmer, Rooke auction for 3,000,000 German inflation stamps. Quick, boys, dust off the barrels and then moan that you still don't have the bales of these once so common.

"THE PHILATELIC POLITICIAN" was the title of a small sheet published in Bellaire, Ohio in 1896. Doesn't that title intrigue you? With all the philatelic politics and politicians now buzzing around, we think there is room for a revival of a sheet with that title.

IT USED TO BE THAT WHENEVER anyone wanted a stamp they wrote the stamp papers first but since collectors in recent years have been so consistently against most such proposals, sponsors don't seem to be seeking philatelic support anymore.

A STAMP PAPER PUBLISHED IN GERman territory has managed to advise some of its subscribers that due to war conditions it cannot mail copies, but these are being held and will be sent subscribers upon cessation of hostilities. Something like this was done during World War I.

CATALOGUE NUMBERS
Unless it is otherwise stated in the advertisement all catalogue numbers quoted in advertisements in this issue are those of Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue.

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1c Defense Cracked Plate

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New Zealand Provisionals

The New Zealand postal service expected to issue this month the current ½d and 1½d George VI design stamps overprinted with new values of 1d and 2d respectively. These denominations are needed due to increase in postal rates. Since there is danger of fraud in increasing denominations, it is assumed all of the two basic values will be withdrawn from circulation.

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Borneo Issues Tax Stamps

The first War Tax stamps issued by a British colony since the present war started appeared a few weeks ago from North Borneo. Though during the last war, many such stamps were issued, this time the authorities have in most instances simply increased postage rates and collected extra funds in this manner, avoiding the nuisance of additional stamps. The War Tax stamps of World War I were a popular speculation of that time, since most were overprints and included a number of small printings and varieties. The Borneo issue comprises the 1c and 2c overprinted "WAR TAX."

Auction Calendar

May 24—U. S. and General . Herman Herst, Jr., 116 Nassau St., New York City.

June 2-3—General Collection. H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32-34 E. 57th St., New York City.

June 6—Specialty Auction. F. R. Ferryman. 505 Fifth Ave., New York City.

June 6-7—First Stamp Auction. City Book Auction. 120 Fourth Avenue, New York City.

June 7—U. S. and Wholesale. Wakonda Stamp Co., P. O. Box 1792, Denver, Colo.

June 10-11—304th Sale, U. S. and Foreign. Vahan Mozian, Inc., 505 5th Ave., New York City.

June 16-17—Mint British Empire. H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32-34 E. 57th St., New York.

Guiana Find A Fake

Disillusionment was prompt on the reported find in the colony of another copy of the very rare 2c 1850 British Guiana Number One, when a photo of the find was shown H. R. Harmer of London. Differences between the newly found copy and others were promptly noted, also that the initials and postmark had been copied from the copy in the Reichpost Museum in Berlin. Mr. Harmer pronounced the stamp found in the colony a fake, through a well executed one.

● A large green cachet was applied to airmail on the dedication May 10 of the Seaplane Dock at Sterling, Ill. Cover received through courtesy of Frank M. Stager of that city.

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1s. purple
2s. yellow-orange
3s. deep red-orange
5s. olive
7s. blue-green
10s. dark green
20s. red-brown
30s. blue
35s. ultramarine
40s. dark brown
50s. gray
1L. tan
5L. emerald

Undernoted stamps, overprinted in red or black (as noted below), with the initials L. P. S. R. The letter "S" in under the "L" and the "R" under the "P", with a large star in between the two rows of letters:

A50—10s. slate green
A51—20s. rose lake

(The Stamp Mart)

PHILIPPINES—New Postage. We are in receipt of a F.D.C. of the new postage and official stamps chronicled by us May 3rd., from the Afran Stamp Company. Our reason for mentioning this at this time is that this Company has given us further information as to these stamps. It appears that this 2c value is the first of a set of 14 values in a set to be known as National Heroes Issue. Each value in the set will depict the figure of a famous Filipino hero. The Official set will consist of 10 stamps only—2c to 30c.

ROUMANIA — Iron Guard Issue. Horizontal rectangular format, perf. 13, unwatermarked? Toward the lower right corner is a medallion, in which is the photo as noted below. Underneath medallion are the figures of value; Semi-Postals:

7L. plus 7L. red-brown (Vasile Marin)
15L. plus 15L. bluish-gray (Ion Mota)

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Souvenir Sheet. Size approx. 3½x2¼ inches, imperforate. Contains both stamps as noted above, with higher value to left and other to right; only 20,000 sheets issued:

7L. plus 7L. green (Vasile Marin)
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SWITZERLAND—New Postage Designs. Engraved, unwatermarked, perf. 11½, small upright rectangular format, printed on toned paper as noted below:

50c. deep purple on greenish ("The Three Swiss")
60c. red-brown on buff (William Tell)
70c. rose-violet on pale lilac (Soldier)
80c. black on pale gray (Dying Soldier)
90c. dark red on pale rose (Color Bearer)
1F. dark green on greenish (Ludwig Pfyffer)
1.20F. red-violet on pale gray (Jurg Genatsch)
1.50F. dark blue on buff (Francois de Reynold)
2F. maroon on pale rose (Joachim Forrer)

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103	.10	
105	.15	
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194	.05	.05
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120	.12	
CANADA		
16		1.50
17		25.00
FALKLAND		
1	10.00	7.00
12		5.00
85	.05	.06
86	.10	.12
IRISH		
65	.03	
66	.04	
70	.10	
NEWFOUNDLAND		
A3	4.25	4.50
SARAWAK		
110	.04	.04
111	.04	.04
114	.08	.08
115	.10	.10
117	.16	.16
118	.18	.18
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The Seebeck Stamp Contracts

(Continued from page 468)

Seebeck ended his contracts, or rather did not renew them, due to the criticism directed upon him and the activities of the Society for the Suppression of Speculative Stamps. Late in the 1890s there was published a letter from him announcing he was retiring from such contracts, but at the same time vigorously defending his right to make them. He professed a desire however to abide by the wishes of the majority of the hobby. He was frank and there is no proof he was not sincere. He was not the first or the last to make such contracts as the commemoratives of the Spanish monarchy and Ethiopia's 1919 series testify. Someone is always trying to effect such contracts.

As stated before there is no data on quantities of reprints made after each issue became obsolete. Since most of the population of the four countries had no use whatsoever for postage stamps, as might be supposed genuinely used specimens are scarce. Such large quantities were provided of some values that most of the printing must have been returned at end of the year of issue and reprinting was therefore unnecessary. Moreover, there was little sale of these stamps at post offices for philatelic purposes as dealers were afraid to pay face value for stamps that in a year would be available at possibly a fraction of face.

Salvador, as first to enjoy (?) the Seebeck free stamp proposal, began as stated in 1890 and annually until 1899 new series appeared. In 1895, 1896 and 1897 two sets were issued. The first series prepared for 1895 had portrait of President Ezeta, brother of the General depicted on the colorful 1893 series. But before the stamps arrived, the brothers were forced to flee into exile. At first it appeared Mr. Seebeck would have all the stamps on his hands with little prospect of philatelic sale because none had been employed postally. Overprinting of the portrait by the national arms was resorted to and part of the issue used temporarily in Salvador pending Seebeck's providing a new series of new designs. Actually the new design was provided in January 1895 also. Unoverprinted Ezeta stamps are known and apparently have no extra value. In 1896 Seebeck had to supply a second set also, due to discovery the country name was incorrectly used on his stamp designs. At least that was the excuse for two series in one year for a country which had little use for any kind of stamps. The new series read "CORREOS DE EL SALVADOR" instead of the previous use of the combined "DE" and "EL" as "DEL." Columbus was duly commemorated with a handsome series that has ever since been the delight of the juniors and in 1897 two stamps commemorated one of the periodically unsuccessful attempts at a Central American Federation. The companion Official stamps which Nicholas F. provided are a maze of overprints, though he only started supplying them in 1896. The Postage Dues were skimped to the extent of only one design being used for all issues, 1895 to 1899. Curiosities of the lot of Salvadoreans are the diamond-shaped Parcel Post stamps issued in 1895. Registration and Acknowledgement of Receipt stamps were provided in 1897, but the catalogue authorities differ on which Registration stamps were issued. These same stamps were also overprinted for Official use but are included in with other Official stamps and not separately classified as Official Registration stamps.

It will be noted that the contract with Salvador called for only values of 3c and upwards for the first year as 1c and 2c had been contracted for with the American Bank Note Co. The instructions to that company regarding inscriptions were not correct and

the finished stamps were inscribed "UNION POSTAL DEL SALVADOR" instead of "SERVICIO POSTAL DEL SALVADOR." The errors were not issued without overprinting, so Seebeck was instructed to provide 1c and 2c stamps despite the contract exception, which of course did not make him feel bad. His instructions to provide new 1c and 2c had additional reason for on the night of Nov. 19, 1889 the National Palace of Salvador was destroyed by fire and with it practically all the equipment and stamp stock of the postal service. From the ruins, some surviving stamps were stolen, hence the "1889" overprints which served until the Seebeck issue arrived.

Honduras' Seebecks were the regular series of 1890, 1891, 1892 (commemorating discovery of America, 1893 and 1895 and the first two series overprinted allegedly for Official use. The Officials were never placed in use since Honduras was supplied with such large quantities of the other stamps they couldn't find space to store the Officials.

The Seebeck issues include the series of Ecuador 1892, 1894, 1895 and 1896, the new design of 1893 while contemplated never having materialized. Official stamps were issued in the same years by overprinting the above ordinary series. Only one Ecuadorian Postage Due set was provided, that of 1896, and the uselessness of these stamps is shown by the country being able to get along in the next 33 years without any!

Nicaragua's Seebecks were more extensive in variety than any of the other countries. For ten years, commencing in 1890 and ending in 1899 a new ordinary postage series was supplied each year, including as with Honduras and Salvador a commemorative series in 1892. Each of these series were also supplied overprinted for Official use, though dif-

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It should be borne in mind that at the time of the Seebeck issues, postal stationery was a popular specialty, so N. F. provided each country on his "free list" with copious quantities of postal cards, wrappers and stamped envelopes, many of which are commonly met with today at bourses in accumulations of covers, and always unused. Ecuador and Salvador didn't get any cards, but the contractor supplied the latter country with so many kinds of envelopes on various colored papers that the cards weren't seriously missed.

Only two contracts, those of Salvador and Nicaragua were carried through the full ten-year period. Ecuador's President Eloy Alfaro repudiated the contract in 1895 as "unworthy of the dignity" of the government to continue such a contract. Unfortunately repudiation of the contract did not end the sorry state of the Ecuadorian postal service,

Murray Talks It Over

The article on detection of repaired and counterfeit stamps by Y. Souren & Co. which was featured in *The New Yorker* was discussed over Station KFI, Los Angeles by Johnny Murray in his program "Johnny Murray Talks It Over" May 9. The program is sponsored by Smart & Final Co., Ltd., canners.

Book Reviews

Official Catalog of United States Double Line Electro Precancels, Third Edition, published by Hoover Brothers, 36 W. 25th St., New York, 70 pages 5x7, paper bound, price $1.00 of publisher or dealers. Berton Hoover with assistance of Robert T. Woodruff edited this edition. The foreword explains many points of possible confusion in collecting and identifying this popular group of local precancels. Prices are net and approximate discounts for stamps in various conditions are suggested. There are numerous footnotes through the catalogue and certain favor issues are listed unpriced as a matter of record. Descriptions of dangerous counterfeits are also given. The catalogue is well printed and should meet with general approval of precancel collectors, many of whom assisted in making listings as complete as possible.

● Naval offices ordered established recently include Patrol Squadron 101, U. S. S. Grenadier, Polaris and Wilkes and the changing of the name of the U. S. S. Guam to Wake; all branches of New York City.

● Newest defense base post office is Submarine Base, St. Thomas, Charlotte Amalie, Virgin Islands, to be established June 2.

● Sisowath, son of King Sisowath Monivong of Cambodia has been elevated to king as a result of his father's death and a new series of stamps for the Indo-China dependency is in prospect.

Our Chicago Letter

May 13, 1941.

Our friends on the North Side, the North Shore Philatelic Society, plan on doing a little special entertaining. On May 26th they will act as hosts to the Austin Philatelic Club. Mrs. Marian Carne Zinsmeister, of the Austin Club, will speak on "Souvenir Sheets" a topic very dear and near to her, as we all know.

In answer to several requests I have received for more information on the Austin Philatelic Club seal, may I say that the seal is issued to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of this club. The seal is a red, white and blue label, showing the club emblem and a picture of the Austin Town Hall, where the club meetings are held. The labels sell for 5 cents each or 6 for a quarter. They may be had by sending remittance, along with a stamped addressed envelope, to the writer.

There are also available some of the "INTERNATIONAL PHILATELIC WEEK" 1940 labels, at the same price, and they may also be had by following the above procedure.

While writing about philatelic labels I am reminded of the 1941 label issued by the Czecho-Slovak Society of North America. In this case the European method is carried out in that a copy of an early issue postage stamp is affixed to the label and cancelled with a circular rubber stamp, reading "Czecho-Slovak Philatelic Society of North America. May 17, 1941. Third Annual Convention and Banquet. New York City" 500 copies were issued, each being numbered on the back. It is not only unique but attractive.

Another former Chicagoan, Harry E. Wilson, now of Hollywood, California, was a visitor here over the weekend. Harry specializes in the stamps of Egypt and has a very nice stock of the stamps of this country. He asked to be remembered to his Chicago friends.

Tony Russo won the Grand Award at the Austin Philatelic Club exhibit with his splendid collection of Italy and early states. His exhibit consisted of 34 frames. Nearly 250 frames of stamps were entered and the exhibition was voted the finest ever held by that club.

On June 23 the North Shore Club will entertain the Polonus Philatelic Society. A treat is in store for those who attend because we learn that Lester Jankowski, President of the Polonus club, will speak on the subject "Pilsudski—The Stamps and Highlights of a Hero." Those of us who know Lester, a well kown attorney in Chicago, can vouch for the fact that he is a capable speaker who knows his subject well. Chicagoland collectors are cordially invited to attend these meetings, admission, of course, is free.

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BROADWAY Chatter

The Bipex show closed this past week with the officials well satisfied over the attendance. A five frame display of Twentieth Century U. S. Covers, shown by James E. Hughes of Linwood, N. J. took the Borough President's trophy as the best display in Class A.

Mike Karen did yeomen work in selling the Bipex labels. Mike used a method which couldn't fail. He buttonholed everyone he knew and asked them for a quarter, on being refused, which at first he always was, he asked them if he wasn't good for a quarter, of course he got his twenty-five cent piece, then he gave the person a set of Bipex labels. In the ten minutes I watched Mike he sold 15 sets of labels.

Harris of Boston did not buy all of Elliot Walton's stock. Rudy Novell, of the Downtown Stamp Co. filled in on about $7,000.00 worth of merchandise. Rudy wants to keep his reputation as having the most complete stock in this country. Rudy refused to service the want lists of a large New York Department store, because they wouldn't pay enough.

The famous Norman Serphos collection will have been disposed of by the time this column appears, so you readers will have to wait until I find out if the majority of the collection is purchased by one buyer, in order to keep the collection intact. There is a hope throughout philatelic circles that this collection would be kept intact. The material in this collection recalls flights that made air history.

Most of the importers are telling their clientele to get ready to expect nothing but British Colonial issues. It does seem funny to see the average Refugee Stamp Peddler carry a nice assortment of British Colonials in his bag, whereas, when he first arrived a British stamp was an unknown item to him.

Each week the importation of new issues gets more and more serious. Postage charges on shipments are enormous, because shipments are trans-shipped a number of times. A small steady supply has trickled through with the arrival of the American Export Liners from Lisbon. But, the party who carries stamps across is demanding higher prices for his services, so this source may soon be unprofitable.

At present no one knows how scarce the last Jugo Slavia issue is. They issued this set for a philatelic exhibition held a few days before they were invaded. About 100 sheets have trickled into the New York market.

Knapp Sale Totals $80,000

The six-day sessions of the sale by Parke-Bernet Galleries, Inc. of the Knapp Collection netted a total of $80,729. The sale was well attended by leading dealers and collectors, many of whom had journeyed considerable distance to attend. The New York press gave considerable prominence to the sale. Lots were displayed by a new process on a screen, so that all attendants could see each item while bidding was in progress.

Highlights of the 11 sessions were as follows: block of 5c 1847 on cover $700, $500 each for 10c 1847 bisects, $2,175 for strip of four 10c 1847 on cover, the unique "Knapp shift," 10c $1,100, Pony Express letter to Lincoln, $500; $550, $390 and $340 paid for other Pony Express covers of unusual caliber; bisected 12c 1851 on cover with "Via Nicaragua" marking $300; stampless covers brought from $1 upward, the lower prices being reached by items of large cities which were not unusual (bids were in multiples of 50c, reducing competition on low-priced items); fancy design stampless brought as high as $46.

By next week we will have more details and will be able to give other realizations.

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Stamps In The News

Amir Abdullah of Trans-Jordan was recently seriously wounded in an attempted assassination as an outgrowth of his urging aid to British forces in Iraq. Abdullah is the son of former King Hussein of Hejaz and brother of the late King Feisal of Iraq, and

all three have had an important part in shaping history changes which resulted in many stamp issues in the near East. Trans-Jordania is of little commercial importance as its population is mostly nomadic and the character of the land induces no industry and little agriculture. But the country is of great strategic importance and was scene of exploits of the late Lawrence in the warfare that cost the Turkish Empire all of Arabia. Mails travel by primitive means in Trans-Jordan. Stamps are supplied by the British, and despite the tiny volume of the mails, a surprising number of stamps, including many high values have appeared in the two decades of the kingdom's history.

● The Netherlands Indies at Batavia are using a machine cancellation depicting a drawing of an envelope and directing mailers to properly place the stamp in the upper right corner of letters. This is part of a campaign to increase the use of machines for stamp cancellation and avoid slower hand cancelling when stamps are not placed in customary position.

New Plate Numbers

The report of postage stamp plates completed or ordered manufactured during April includes as the only item in new possible issues a plate for producing Electric Eye 6c Presidentials, 22745, which is the usual 400-subject rotary press plate. Also of the same size and format are new plates for Defense Stamps: 1c 22746-47, 2c 22748-49 and 3c 22750-51. Surprisingly, additional plates have been made for the $5 Postal Savings: 22741-42-43-44. These are as before, 100-subject flat plate.

Plates sent to press for the first time in April include only these of the 3c Defense, 22702-03-04-05-12-13 and plate 22740 of the $5 Postal Savings.

The Post Office Department also announced that the October 1938 report in error omitted plates 22108 and 22110 of the 17c Presidential as having gone to press at that time.

Back Numbers Wanted

The Western Reserve Historical Society Library is desirous of completing their file of LINN'S. They will appreciate anyone sending missing copies as follows: 1928 Nov. 19 and 26, Dec. 3, 10 and 17; all 1929 except Feb. 18 and March 18; 1930 Jan. 24 and 31, Feb. 7 and 14, April 11 and 18 and Oct. 24. The Library will accept gifts of loose copies of all philatelic publications, catalogs and pricelists. A worthy endeavor to assist as the vast accumulation is being classified and indexed and made available to students. Clipped copies are acceptable and will be kept until better copies are obtained.

George F. Turner, 37 King St., New York, N. Y. needs these to complete his file of LINN'S; Vol. 12 #3, 25 and 42. He is also looking for various copies of earlier publications which Mr. Linn published in 1911, 1916 and 1920, of which no extra copies are at our office.

Want Lincoln's Mother Stamp

The May 11 Indianapolis Sunday Star featured an article that the Spencer County Historical Society has begun a campaign for a stamp to be issued on Mother's Day, 1943 in honor of Nancy Lincoln, mother of the late President. Seven designs have already been selected in a contest held in the county and these were depicted. Since no picture of Mrs. Lincoln exists, artists had wide latitude in their designs. 1943 would be the 125th anniversary of her death. 500,000 signatures for the petition for the stamp have already been obtained, and by time it is presented to postal officials, a million are expected to be attached to it. Clipping courtesy of Chas. N. Huffman.

● "OFILMA" Spanish stamp firm, have advised us that orders and correspondence should no longer be sent them addressed to their Lisbon, Portugal office, but direct to Apartado 281, Malaga, Spain. Their last advertisements carried the Lisbon address, hence this notice.

By Kenneth M. Gierhart
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DOUBLE LINE CATALOG.

It is unusual for catalogs to appear in the spring but this is just another sign that stamp collecting is more and more disregarding seasons and that any time feasible to a publisher will be accepted by the collector. This third edition of the Double Line catalog of course is better and more complete than its predecessors. Many of the Presidential items and some defense items are listed and priced. The catalog is priced on a NET basis. Very explicit explanations as to the discounts to be allowed for stamps in the various conditions including the initial controls, or datings as some are wont to refer to it. At this time the catalog makers think that dated stamps should be discounted two-thirds with the exception of some noted cities. We wonder if this wont be ammended somewhat as time passes. There are numerous notes in this catalog on the spacings, arrangement of types, and Missing periods. All in all a better catalog this time for the same money.

RARITIES.

Just as sure as the sun rises in the east, except in Meigs Co., there is going to be quite a few rarities in the new bureau prints that have appeared in the past few months. If one could pick out the exact ones he no doubt could make some money if such a vulgar thing should be talked about in a precancel column. But as things stack up it is pretty hard to just pick out which stamps will be good and then be able to lay in a supply of them. You know there are winners there but which ones? Take for instance the Cincinnati, 1c items both sheet and Defense. Will there be a large enough supply to keep the presidential low in price; and how about the Defense it was a WIDE and here is the narrow Presidential already. Will there be any more WIDE Defense or if there is any Defense will it be a narrow? Another thought is Why are all the new NARROWS Presidentials? Are the Defense items gone? It looks like it to me. In order for offices to get them they must be requisitioned just as commemoratives and then they are often only supplied part of the order. If this is the case then almost any of the Defense items will be pretty good.

ODDS AND ENDS.

The announcement for the Hoosier Precancel meet was franked with a 1c Presidential Clay City, Ind. U-121.—We have at hand another lot of those City Type Album sheets Hoovers are putting out. A commercial proposition true, but quite a boon to collectors as it gives them a book with a definite space to fill with definite stamps. Nothing random about it. Franked with 2c New York Defense and they WIDE.—Some odds and ends from Jerry Lapin: 4½c Buffalo, N. Y. Presidential in Narrow Type. What won't that do to the WIDE ones? And I had ten blocks once of the Wide type.—A straggler, 1c Defense from Larchmont, N. J. U-121.—Hoovers Auction list with one of the new 1c NARROW Presidentials in two lines. One wonders why they didn't print them like that long ago.

Solon Wants Duck Stamp Sold At Agency

Senator Pat McCarran of Nevada has announced intention of introducing an amendment to the Post Office Department appropriation bill making it possible for duck stamps to be purchased at all times at the Philatelic Agency. The amendment reads: "hereafter all remainders of migratory-bird hunting stamps shall remain on sale at the Philatelic Agency until disposed of or until Congress otherwise provides." Present proceedure is that all stamps are destroyed each year following issuance of the new stamp. Remainders of the stamps would not be valid for use, as they are good only for one year, that whose date they bear. The intention in the amendment is to provide a source of additional revenue for the waterfowl sanctuary fund, as all such sales would be almost entirely net profit. H. S. Wagner, Akron submits the above information from a copy of *Conservation News* published by the National Wildlife Federation.

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